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SUBJ: NAC AGENDA FOR OCTOBER 2: MBFR ITEMS

REF: A) USNATO 5275; B) USNATO 4727; C) USNATO 4956; D) USNATO 5338

E) STATE 196469

1. IN ADDITION TO THE THREE MBFR ITEMS LISTED ON NAC OCTOBER 2 AGENDA (REF A), THERE WILL BE TWO ADDITIONAL, PRESUMABLY NON-CONTROVERSIAL PIECES OF GUIDANCE TO THE AHG: TRANSMITTAL OF THE NEW DATA TO THE AHG FOR INTERNAL USE ONLY (SEPTTEL), AND POSSIBLE ADJUSTMENT OF THE COMMON CEILING FIGURE (TEXT IN REF B, AS MODIFIED BY PARA 4, REF C). NO FURTHER GUIDANCE NEEDED.

2. RE REDEFINITION OF GROUND FORCES, THE GUIDANCE THAT THE MISSION REQUESTED ON THE NEW UK PROPOSAL (REF D), IS NOW REQUIRED FOR THE OCTOBER 2 NAC.

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3. THE FRG DELEGATION HAS JUST INFORMED US THAT BONN CAN ACCEPT THE U.S. PROPOSAL ON THE TIME BETWEEN PHASES (REF E), IF THE U.S. CAN ACCEPT THE FOLLOWING FOOTNOTE: BEGIN TEXT

THE ALLIES RECOGNIZE THAT THIS PARAGRAPH IS NOT TO MEAN THAT SECOND PHASE NEGOTIATIONS MUST START 18 MONTHS AFTER FIRST PHASE SIGNATURE. THE INDICATION OF THE PERIOD OF TIME IS QUALIFIED BY THE WORD (SIC: READ PHRASES) "AS SOON AS IS PRACTICABLE", "PRELIMINARY ASSUMPTION" AND "SHOULD NOT BE LONGER".

OTHER FACTORS THAN THE TIME NEEDED FOR FIRST PHASE WITHDRAWALS MIGHT HAVE TO BE CONSIDERED." END TEXT FRG WILL TAKE THIS POSITION IN OCTOBER 2 NAC.

4. (COMMENT: REF E, PARA 2 RECOGNIZED ALLIES WOULD BE UNWILLING TO GO BEYOND THE PHRASE "AS SOON AS IS PRACTICABLE," WHICH FRG FOOTNOTE REAFFIRMS. U.S. PROPOSAL REPRESENTS AN IMPROVEMENT OVER NAC GUIDANCE IN MAY ON LINK, AND FRG REFERENCE TO "AS SOON AS IS PRACTICABLE" DOES NOT CHANGE THIS. MISSION THEREFORE RECOMMENDS U.S. ACCEPTANCE OF THE FRG FOOTNOTE.) MISSION REQUESTS GUIDANCE ON FRG FOOTNOTE FOR OCTOBER 2 NAC.

5. ACTION REQUESTED: GUIDANCE FOR OCTOBER 2 NAC PER PARAS 2 AND 4 ABOVE.MCAULIFFE

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